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mufakhkhamah		No	خ ص ض ط ظ ق	always	heavy	Make heavy	
qalqalah	ṣughrá	No	بْ جْ دْ طْ قْ	qalqalah letter (majzūm in the word-middle)	قطب جد	Bounce or stress on letter normally	يَقْتُلُونَ، أَطْعَمَهُمْ، يُبْصِرُونَ، تَجْعَلُ، أَدْرَاكَ
qalqalah	kubrá	No	ب ۚ ج ۚ د ۚ ط ۚ ق ۚ	qalqalah letter (upon stopping is at the word-end)	قطب جد	Bounce or stress on letter with strength	ٱلْفَلَقِ ۚ مُحِيطٌ ۚ وَقَبَ ۚ بَهِيجٍ ۚ أَحَدٌ ۚ
qalqalah	mushaddad	No	بّ جّ دّ طّ قّ	qalqalah letter (mushaddad upon stopping is at the word-end)	قَطّبّ جَدّ	Bounce or stress on letter with strength in a most pronounced way	وَتَبَّ ۚ ٱلْحَجُّ ۚ ٱلْحَقُّ ۚ
lām	mufakhkham	No	ـَ ٱللَّه، ـُ ٱللَّهُمَّ	divine name is (the first word) or (preceded by maftūḥ or maḍmūm or waw sākin)	heavy	Make heavy	ٱللَّهُ نُورُ، قَالَ ٱللَّهُ، عَبْدُ ٱللَّهِ، قَالُوا ٱللَّهُمَّ
rāʾ	muraqqaq 1	No	رِ ـِرْ	rāʾ (maksūr) or (mazjūm when preceded by maksūr)	light	Make light	فَرِحَ، ٱلرِّقَابِ، ٱلصَّابِرِينَ، وَٱصْبِرْ، فِرْعَوْنُ
rāʾ	muraqqaq 2	No	ير ۚ	rāʾ (upon stopping when preceded by the letter yāʾ)	light	Make light	قَدِيرٌ ۚ خَبِيرٌ ۚ خَيْرٍ ۚ
rāʾ	mufakhkham 1	No	رُ ـُرّ	rāʾ (maftūḥ or maḍmūm) or (majzūm preceded by maftūḥ or maḍmūm)	heavy	Make heavy	رَبَّنَا، رَأَوا، حَاضِرًا، رُزِقْنَا، عِشْرُونَ، خَرْدَلٍ، غُرْفَةً، ٱلْقُرْءَانَ
rāʾ	mufakhkham 2	No	ـارْ ـورْ	rāʾ (upon stopping when is preceded by alif sākin or waw sākin)	heavy	Make heavy	ٱلنَّارُ ۚ ٱلْقَهَّارُ ۚ ٱلْغَفُورُ ۚ ٱلصُّدُورِ ۚ
rāʾ	mufakhkham 3	No	ٱرْ	(majzūm rāʾ preceded by hamzat al-waṣl)	heavy	Make heavy	إِنِ ٱرْتَبْتُمْ، أَمِ ٱرْتَابُوا، لِمَنِ ٱرْتَضَىٰ، فَٱرْتَقِبْ، ٱرْجِعِي، ٱرْكَعُوا
Rules of Istiʿādhah and Basmalah (Unlisted options are prohibited)							
Beginning Option 1	waṣl al-jamīʿ	No		(beginning of a Sūrah)	3	Join istiʿādhah, basmalah, and the first āyah altogether	أَعُوذُ بِٱللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ ۝

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Beginning Option 2	qatʿ al-jamīʿ	No		(beginning of a Sūrah)	1+1+1	Disjoin all: the istiʿādhah, basmalah, and the first āyah	أَعُوذُ بِٱللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ۝ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ۝ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Beginning Option 3	waṣl al-istiʿādha wa-qatʿ al-awwal	No		(beginning of a Sūrah)	2+1	Join istiʿādhah with basmalah, and disconnect the first āyah of the sūrah	أَعُوذُ بِٱللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ۝ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Beginning Option 4	qatʿ al-istiʿādha wa-waṣl al-awwal	No		(beginning of a Sūrah)	1+2	Disjoin istiʿādhah, and join basmalah with the first āyah of the sūrah	أَعُوذُ بِٱللَّهِ مِنَ الشَّيطَانِ الرَّجِيمِ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ۝ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Between Option 1	waṣl al-jamīʿ	No		(between two sūrahs)	3	Join the last āyah of a sūrah, basmalah, and the first āyah of the next sūrah altogether	وَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُۥ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌۢ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Between Option 2	qatʿ al-jamīʿ	No		(between two sūrahs)	1+1+1	Disjoin all: the last āyah of a sūrah, basmalah, and the first āyah of the next sūrah	وَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُۥ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ۝ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ۝ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Between Option 3	qatʿ al-ākhir wa-waṣl al-awwal	No		(between two sūrahs)	1+2	Disjoin the last āyah of a sūrah and join basmalah with the first āyah of the next sūrah	وَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُۥ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ۝ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Between Prohibited	waṣl al-ākhir wa-qatʿ al-awwal	No		(between two sūrahs)	2+1	**Prohibited** to join the last āyah of a sūrah with basmalah while disjoining the first āyah of the next sūrah	وَلَمْ يَكُن لَّهُۥ كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ۝ قُلْ أَعُوذُ بِرَبِّ ٱلْفَلَقِ۝
Between with "No" or Curse Prohibited	qatʿ	No		(sūrahs that begin with a lā word or wayl)	Negative	**Recommended** to disjoin last āyah of a sūrah, basmalah and that first āyah of the next sūrah	بِسْمِ ٱللَّهِ الرَّحْمَٰنِ الرَّحِيمِ لَآ أُقْسِمُ بِيَوْمِ ٱلْقِيَٰمَةِ۝

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Anfāl+Tawbah Option 1	waṣl dūna al-sakt	No		(between Anfāl and Tawbah)	2	Join the last āyah of Anfāl and the first āyah of Tawbah altogether without sakt or breath	إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ بِكُلِّ شَيءٍ عَلِيمٌ بُرَاءةٌ مِّنَ ٱللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ...
Anfāl+Tawbah Option 2	waṣl maʿa al-sakt	No		(between Anfāl and Tawbah)	1+p+1	Join the last āyah of Anfāl and the first āyah of Tawbah altogether with breathless sakt in the middle	إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ بِكُلِّ شَيءٍ عَلِيمٌ ۜ بَرَاءةٌ مِّنَ ٱللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ...
Anfāl+Tawbah Option 3	waṣl	No		(between Anfāl and Tawbah)	1+1	Disjoin the last āyah of Anfāl and the first āyah of Tawbah	إِنَّ ٱللَّهَ بِكُلِّ شَيءٍ عَلِيمٌ۝ بَرَاءةٌ مِّنَ ٱللَّهِ وَرَسُولِهِ...
Assimilation: Rules of Nūn Sākin or Tanwīn							
iqlāb		Yes	ب	bāʾ (preceded by nūn sākin or tanwīn)	m	Make assimilation into bāʾ lengthening for 2 units with lips closed [or slightly opened]	أَنۢبَأَكَ، مِن بَعْدِ، سَمِيعٌۢ بَصِيرٌ، ذُرِّيَّةًۢ بَعْدُهَا، يُنۢبِتُ
idghām	kabīr bi-ghunnah	Yes	م ن و ي (ينمو)	idghām letter is (preceded by nūn sākin or tanwīn) in the same or two separate words	ينمو	Make assimilation into the next letter with a nasal sound for length of 2 units. Exceptions: دُنْيا، قِنْوَان، صِنْوَان، بُنْيَان	مِن مَّآءٍ، مِن مَّارِجٍ مِن نَّارٍ، إِن نَّحْنُ، مِن نَّفْسٍ وَاحِدَةٍ، مِن وَال، مَن يَعْمَلْ، إِن يَرَوا، قَولٌ مَّعْرُفٌ، وُجُوهٌ يَومَئِذٍ نَاعِمَةٌ، رَسُولٌ مِّنَ اللَّهِ
idghām	kabīr bi-ghayr ghunnah	Yes	ل ر	lām or rāʾ is (preceded by nūn sākin or tanwīn) in the same or two separate words	لر	Make assimilation into the next letter without a nasal sound and without lengthening	لَمْ يَكُن لَّهُ، مِن رَّبِّكُمْ، وَيلٌ لِّلْمُطَفِّفِينَ، بَشَرًا رَّسُولًا، عِيشَةً رَّاضِيَةً، وَيلٌ لِّكُلِّ هُمَزَةٍ لُّمَزَةٍ
iẓhār		Yes	ء ح خ ع غ هـ	iẓhār letter is (preceded by nūn sākin or tanwīn) in the same or two separate words	نْ	Make clear with no assimilation and no lengthening	مِنْ أَلْفِ، يَنْحِتُونَ، إِنْ خِفْتُمْ، أَنْعَمْتَ، مِنْ غِسْلِينٍ، مِنْهُ، كُفُوًا أَحَدٌ، واسِعٌ عَلِيمٌ، أَجْرٌ غَيرُ، سَلَامٌ هِيَ
ikhfāʾ		Yes	all letters other than those of Iqlāb, Iẓhār, or Idghām: 15 in total	ikhfāʾ letter is (preceded by nūn sākin or tanwīn) in the same or two separate words	ن	Make assimilation of the nūn sound with the next letter for a length of 2 units	فَٱنصَبْ، أَنتَ، مُنذِرٌ، إِن كَذَّبَ، كِتَابٌ كَرِيمٌ، مَن جَاءَ، غَفُورٌ شَكُور، مِن قَبْلُ، بَشَرًا سَوِيًّا، أَندَادًا، مِن طَيِّبَاتٍ، مَن زَكَّاهَا، يَتِيمًا فَئَاوَىٰ، وَمَن ضَلَّ، جَنَّاتٍ تَجْرِي مِن تَحْتِهَا، مَن ظَلَمَ، ظِلًّا ظَلِيلًا
Assimilation: Rules of Mīm Sākin							

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idghām	ṣaghīr / shafawī	Yes	م	mīm is (preceded by mīm sākin) in the same or two separate words	مّ	Make assimilation into the next mīm lengthening for 2 units	قُلُوبِهِمْ مَّرَضٌ، أَطْعَمَهُمْ مِّن، وَءَامَنَهُمْ مِّنْ
iẓhār	shafawī	Yes	all letters other than mīm or bāʾ	iẓhār shafawī letter is (preceded by mīm sākin)	مْ	Make clear with no assimilation and no lengthening	لَمْ يَكُن، أَلَمْ نَشْرَحْ، لَعَلَّكُمْ تَعْقِلُونَ، يَنصُرُكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ، بِذَنۢبِهِمْ فَسَوَّاهَا
Assimilation: Rules of Adjacent Letters With Similarities							
ghunnah		Yes	مّ نّ	mīm or nūn (mushaddad)	نّ	Lengthen for 2 units	عَمَّ، ٱلْمُزَّمِّلُ، ٱلْجَنَّةِ، إِنَّا، أَنَّ، وَٱلنَّاسِ
idghām	mutamāthilayn	Yes	all identical letters other than mīm, nūn, or hamzah	any letter (sākin is followed by the identical letter) in the same or two separate words	ـّـ	Make assimilation into the next letter without a nasal sound and without lengthening	قُلْ لَّكُمْ، مِنْ نِّعْمَةٍ، قَدْ دَّخَلُوا، ٱضْرِبْ بِعَصَاكَ، فَلَا يُصْرِفْ فِّي، يُدْرِككُّمُ، ٱذْهَبْ بِّكِتَابِي
idghām	mutajānisayn	Yes	ب-م، ت-ط، ت-د، ث-ذ، ذ-ظ	a letter (sākin is followed by a similar letter) in the same or two separate words	دت	Make assimilation into the next letter without a nasal sound and without lengthening	إِذْ ظَّلَمُوا، أُجِيبَتْ دَّعْوَتُكُمَا، فَئَامَنَتْ طَّآئِفَةٌ، قَدْ تَّبَيَّنَ، أَرَدْتُّم، كِدْتَّ، مَهَدْتُّ، بَسَطْتُ، فَرَطْتُّم، ٱرْكَبْ مَّعَنَا، يَلْهَثْ ذَّٰلِكَ
idghām	mutaqāribayn	Yes	ر-ل، ك-ق	a letter (sākin is followed by a proximate letter) in the same or two separate words	كق	Make assimilation into the next letter without a nasal sound and without lengthening	أَلَمْ نَخْلُقكُّمْ، قُلْ رَّبِّ، بَلْ رَّفَعَهُ
Assimilation: Rules of Lām al-Taʿrīf							
iẓhār	qamariyyah	Yes	ب ج ح خ ع غ ف ق ك م ه و ي ء	qamariyyah letter (preceded by lām al-taʿrīf)	الْق	Make clear with no assimilation and no lengthening	ٱلْقَمَرُ، ٱلْمَلَٰئِكَةُ، ٱلْإِنسَانُ، ٱلْجَبَلُ، ٱلْعَٰلَمِينَ، ٱلْكِتَٰبُ، ٱلْبَيتُ
idghām	shamsiyyah	Yes	ت ث د ذ ر ز س ش ص ض ط ظ ل ن	shamsiyyah letter (preceded by lām al-taʿrīf)	الشّ	Drop the lām and assimilate from the previous letter without a nasal sound; lengthen for 2 units only for ghunnah letters	ٱلشَّمْسُ، ٱللَّيلُ، ٱلسَّاعَةُ، ٱلنَّارُ، ٱلنَّاسُ، ٱلذَّارِيَاتُ، ٱلثَّمَرَاتُ، ٱلتَّائِبُونَ
Lengthening: Rules of Madd							

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madd aṣlī		Yes	ا، وٰ، ىٰ، و، ي	any letter (followed by a vowel letter)	2	Lengthen for 2 units	نُوحِيها، كَانَ، قَالَ، قَلَىٰ، ٱلصَلوٰةَ، قُلُوبٌ، عَالِمٌ، إنَّا، يَغْشَاهَا، دَخَلُوا، يُنَادُونَكَ، فِي جِيدِهَا
madd aṣlī	badal	Yes	ءَا، أُو، إِي	hamzah followed by alif	2	Lengthen for 2 units	ءَامَنَ / آمَنَ، أُوتِيَ، ٱلإِيمَانُ
madd aṣlī	ʿiwaḍ	No	ءً، ـًا، ًا، ًى،	fatḥah munawwin (upon stopping)	2	Lengthen for 2 units	سَمَاءًۚ ، نِسَاءًۚ ، بِنَاءًۚ ، أَفْوَاجًاۚ ، هُدًىۚ
madd aṣlī	ṣilah sughrá	Yes	third-person singular masculine pronoun (not just any hāʾ at the word-end)	hāʾ (preceded by short vowel and followed by a short vowel and not followed by a hamzah)	2	Lengthen for 2 units Exceptions: يَرْضَهُ لَكُمْ، فِيهِ مُهَانًا	فِيهِۦ مُهَانًا، إِنَّهُۥ يَعْلَمُ، كَانَ بِهِۦ بَصِيرًا
madd farʿī	muttaṣil	Yes	اء وء يء	hamzah (preceded by a vowel in the same word)	4	Lengthen for 4 units	طَآئِفَةٌ، عَآئِلًا، جَآءَ، جَزَآءً، المَلَٓئِكَةُ، سُوٓءَ، هَٰٓؤُلَآءِ، سَيِّـَٔتْ
madd farʿī	munfaṣil	Yes	ا ء، و ء، ي ء	hamzah (preceded by a vowel in a separate word)	2, 4	Lengthen for 2 units or optionally for 4 units	يَآ أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ، لَآ إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ، قُوٓا أَنفُسَكُمْ، قَالُوٓا ءَامَنَّا، فِيٓ أَنفُسِكُمْ
madd farʿī	ṣilah kubrá	Yes	third-person singular masculine pronoun (not just any hāʾ at the word-end)	hāʾ (preceded by short vowel and followed by a hamzah)	2, 4	Lengthen for 2 units or optionally for 4 units	وَثَاقَهُۥ أَحَدٌ، مَالَهُۥ أَخْلَدَهُ، يُؤَدِّهِۦ إِلَيكَ، وَمِنْ ءَايَاتِهِۦ أَنْ
madd farʿī	ʿāriḍ lil-sukūn 1	No	اـۚ، وـۚ، يـۚ	any letter other than hamzah (preceded by a vowel upon stopping)	2, 4, 6	Lengthen for 2, 4 or 6 units	تُكَذِّبَانِۚ ، تَعْلَمُونَۚ ، مُبِينٌۚ ، بَصِيرٌۚ ، الصَّادِقِينَۚ ، فِيهِۚ
madd farʿī	ʿāriḍ lil-sukūn 2	No	اءۚ، وءۚ، يءۚ	hamzah (preceded by a vowel upon stopping)	4, 6	Lengthen for 4 or 6 units	ٱلشُهَدَآءُۚ ، ٱلسَّمَآءَۚ ، ٱلنِّسَآءُۚ
madd lāzim	kalimī mufakhkhaf	Yes	اْ، وْ، يْ	vowel (followed by a sākin/majzūm in the same word)	6	Lengthen for 6 units, unstressed	ءَآلْآنَ
madd lāzim	kalimī muthaqqal	Yes	اّ، وّ، يّ	vowel (followed by a mushaddad in the same word)	6	Lengthen for 6 units	دَآبَّةٌ، ٱلْحَآقَّةُ، ٱلطَّآمَّةُ، ٱلضَّآلِّينَ، أَتُحَآجُّونِّي

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Category	Subcategory	Indicated [1]	Letters / Patterns	Condition	Specialty	Method	Examples
madd lāzim	ḥurūf al-muqattiʿāt	Yes	س ص ع ك ق ل م ن	certain disjointed letters found at the beginning of a sūrah	6	Lengthen for 6 units	الٓمٓ، الٓمٓصٓ، الٓر، الٓمٓر، كٓهيعٓصٓ، طه، طسٓمٓ، طسٓ، يسٓ، صٓ، حمٓ، حمٓ عٓسٓقٓ، قٓ، نٓ
Joining: Rules for Two Adjacent Sākin Letters							
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-ḥadhf	Yes	ا ٱ، و ٱ، ي ٱ	vowel (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	ٱ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl	وَٱسْتَبَقَا ٱلْبَابَ، فِي ٱلْأَرْضِ، ءَامَنُوا ٱتَّقُوا
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-taḥrīk 1	Yes	ـهِمْ/ـكُمْ/تُمْ ٱ	mīm al-jamʿ (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	ـمُ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl and making the mīm maḍmūm	لَكُمُ ٱلدَّارُ
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-taḥrīk 2	Yes	ـَوا ٱ	waw līn of a verb (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	ـوُ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl and making the waw maḍmūm	وَعَصَوُا ٱلرَّسُولَ
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-taḥrīk 3	Yes	مِنْ ٱ	preposition min (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	ـنَ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl and making the nūn maftūḥ	مِنَ ٱلشَّٰهِدِينَ
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-taḥrīk 4	Yes	ـْ ٱ	real sākin (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	مَ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl and making the sākin ending maftūḥ. Lengthen for 6 or 2 units	الٓمٓ ٱللَّهُ
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-taḥrīk 4	Yes	all other cases A	sākin (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	ـيِ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl and making the sākin ending maksūr	وَبَشِّرِ ٱلَّذِين، طَرَفَيِ ٱلنَّهَارِ، أَوِ ٱدْفَعُوا، يَٰصَٰحِبَيِ ٱلسِّجْنِ
iltiqāʾ	bi-al-taḥrīk 5	No	all other cases B, also known as nūn qutni	sākin of tanwīn (followed by hamzat al-waṣl)	ـنِ	Join by dropping hamzat al-waṣl and making the sākin ending of the tanwīn maksūr	خَيرًا ٱلْوَصِيَّةُ، يَومَئِذٍ ٱلْحَقُّ، نُوحٌ ٱبْنَهُۥ، بِغُلَٰمٍ ٱسْمُهُۥ، كَرَمَادٍ ٱشْتَدَّتْ، لُوطٍ ٱلْمُرْسَلِينَ، جَمِيعًا ٱلَّذِي، عَدْنٍ ٱلَّتِي، أَحَدٌ۝ ٱللَّهُ...

[1] Whether the rule is indicated in the Uthmanic Muṣḥaf